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THE WEEK'S TIT-BIT.

UNIQUE BY-ELECTION CONTEST.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 16.
The by-election in the Abbey division of Westminster for which polling will take place on March 19th is attracting unusual interest, not merely owing to Mr. Churchill's candidature but also owing to the varied condition of the electorate, comprising interests so conflicting as Clubland and Soho, Covent Garden and Pimlico. Political apathy has been characteristic of this electorate, hitherto indicated by the fact that sixty per cent. did not vote at the last contest, but with four candidates in the field, two of whom (Brig-Gen. Nicholson, the official Conservative, and Mr. Churchill, the Independent anti-Socialist) are splitting the Conservative vote, the other two being the Liberal, Mr. Scott Duckers, and the Labour candidate, Mr. Fenner Brockway, who were conscientious objectors in wartime, the present contest is proving very lively.

Mr. Churchill, who is working most energetically, has been especially subjected to interruptions of his meetings, not merely on the part of Socialists but also Conservative extremists, who fear his return to the House of Commons may disrupt the Conservative party.

A week-end sensation has been the publication of letters from Lord Balfour and Mr. Baldwin to Mr. Churchill and Brig-Gen. Nicholson, respectively wishing them success. The former says Mr. Churchill's return will be warmly welcomed by men of moderate opinion throughout the country; and Mr. Baldwin hopes Brig-Gen. Nicholson will triumph, saying that only a strong and united Conservative party can successfully combat Socialism and its attendant dangers.

TQ-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Before the Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.) at the Court, last month Ernest Olivier, 67, shipowner, pleaded "guilty" to a charge of aiding and abetting the master and owners of the ship El Kahira in failing to provide a wireless telegraph installation on the ship, contrary to the Merchant Shipping (Wireless Telegraphy) Act, 1919. Counsel for the prosecution mentioned that as far as he knew this was the first time a charge of this kind had been made the subject of an indictment. As six months had elapsed since the date of the offence the case could not be dealt with in a court of summary jurisdiction. The Recorder fined the defendant £200, and ordered him to pay a sum not exceeding £50 towards the costs of the prosecution.

Not every train when it went back to work after the recent strike at Home showed a disposition to make up for lost time. One Great Western express, however, did a remarkable non-stop feat. It was the 1.30 p.m. express from Paddington to Worcester, a distance of 120½ miles. Owing to the fog the train was 35 minutes late in leaving Paddington, starting at 2.5 p.m., but it arrived at Worcester at 4.3 p.m., having covered the distance in one hour 58 minutes, a saving of 12 minutes on the booked time, the average speed being 61.2 miles per hour. The engine used was No. 2,988, and the weight of the train was approximately 250 tons. This performance was achieved with the handicap of fog at the beginning of the journey.

It is most regrettable from the point of view of British trade and employment, says the *Times* trade supplement, that large South African orders for railway material has been placed in Germany following the award of a contract for five locomotives for India to a Hanover firm, and the capture by France and Czechoslovakia of contracts for boiler tubes of India. Yet a country which jealously clings to the policy of free imports, or which refuses to give preference to products of the overseas Empire and protection to her own manufacturers, cannot logically complain if the Dominions and India choose to buy from the cheapest market. If lost orders serve to call attention to the desirability of introducing a little more spirit of reciprocity in the Imperial trade policy, some good may ultimately result from the present evil.

The introduction of the unicorn into the Royal Arms of Scotland, whence it found entry into those of the United Kingdom on the occasion of James I, was probably due to its reputation as the most brave and untamable of beasts. Pliny, who described it as possessing the head of a stag, the

feet of an elephant, the tail of a boar, and the body of a horse, uttering a deep lowing sound, and with a single black horn projecting two cubits in length from the centre of its forehead, noted "it is said that this animal cannot be taken alive," and later writers seem to have enlarged upon this supposition, deducting therefrom evidence of the unicorn being the noblest of the whole animal creation, "its greatness of mind being such that it chooseth rather to die than to be taken captive."

The dismantling of the second shrine of the tomb of King Tutankhamen was completed last month. When the sides of this shrine were removed from their positions an interesting discovery was made in the narrow space between it and the third shrine. On the ground were found two fans. These were the fans of the King, carried by slaves on his right and left sides, as depicted in the hunting and battle scenes painted on casket No. 21 discovered last year in the antechamber. These fans are of gold, with white ostrich feathers. They have finely chased handles, beautifully inlaid, and upon them are delightful hunting scenes, in one of which the King is represented returning in a chariot from the chase with slaves bearing the quarry. While the bodies of the fans appear to be in good condition, the feathers must, unfortunately, have been completely destroyed. These fans were, of course, known to us from the scenes depicted on mural decorations of temples and tombs, but this is the first time the articles themselves have been found.

The practice of "bakeheesh" is an eternal practice in the Orient, and in the new Turkey it has rather increased than diminished. This is perhaps hardly to be wondered at when salaries are so low for Government servants. It is, indeed, a mystery to the foreigner how even the active officials manage to live. If they do so manage, it is because olives and cheese go a long way in the sustenance of the Orient; and because the fish of the Bosphorus are cheap and plentiful. But under such conditions it is natural that the new Turkey should show very little improvement, if any, in the matter of "bakeheesh." The foreign merchant knows that the heads of departments through which the goods he is supplying will have to go will find them not up to specification, not up to weight, or not meeting some other requirements. But when "bakeheesh" is given they go through again. The consequences are that traders who are aware of this habit of the East put their quotations 1 per cent. or 2 per cent. higher than they would normally be, so as to meet the inevitable gratifications that have to be given. Traders quoting direct from England are very liable to be caught if they do not observe the rules of quotation imposed by this custom of "bakeheesh."

PETROL PRICES.

THE LATEST RISE EXPLAINED.

In consequence of the announcement made by us on Saturday that the local price of petrol had been raised by \$1 per case of four Imperial gallons, a *Telegraph* representative had an interview with Mr. N. L. Watson, the General Manager of the Asiatic Petroleum Company in Hongkong, this morning, in the course of which an explanation of the rise in price was given.

Mr. Watson stated that the price of gasoline had been going up all over the world recently. Since the beginning of the year the price in the United States had gone up 6½ cents (gold) per gallon, which worked out at 65 cents (gold) per case, the equivalent of which here would be \$1.30 (Mex). In England the price advanced 3s. on February 1st, for a similar quantity, and Hongkong had not raised the price until long after other places.

Continuing, Mr. Watson said that the price of petrol all over the world was based on the price in America, which was by far the largest producer. In the States, prices fluctuated continually, but an endeavour was made here to keep the price as constant as possible and the price had not been raised until importers had been compelled to do so. Last year there was a great over-production of crude oil and prices tumbled, but towards the end of the year prices started to go back and now that something like equilibrium had been established between the demand and the supply, prices had been adjusted accordingly. Prices first started to rise in America in January and had been gradually going up ever since, until, as he had stated above, they had advanced by 65 cents (gold) since the year opened. Hongkong had delayed action until now.

PLUCKY RESCUE.

WOMAN JUMPS FROM FERRY.

Shortly after the Southern Star had left the Hongkong wharf this morning at 8.05, a female passenger jumped off the lower deck in an attempt to commit suicide. The alarm was raised and the ferry was swung round. Fortunately the incident was witnessed by other craft in the vicinity and a number of them came up to the rescue. A foki of the King Edward Hotel launch very pluckily jumped into the water and held up the unconscious woman until both were taken out of the water and placed on a sampan. First-aid was applied and the woman was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

No reason has as yet been found for the action of the woman. She appeared to be about thirty years of age.

BURIED ALIVE.

YESTERDAY'S LANDSLIDE.

Two earth coolies were buried alive when a big fall of earth occurred at the hillside on which they were working near the Leather Factory at Kowloon City Road yesterday. The accident took place just below the Home for the Blind.

In excavating the earth at the hillside and loading it on to trucks, about a ton of earth was dislodged and it came down, completely burying the diggers. Successive slips occurred when operations were started to extricate the victims and eventually these were abandoned whilst the decision to blow in the side of the hill was carried out. There is, however, no hope of bringing out the victims alive.

IN GRIP OF MONEYLENDERS.

PORTUGUESE CLERK IN TROUBLE.

A Portuguese clerk employed in one of the local banks was the defendant in three actions in the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz. The plaintiffs were Santa Singh, moneylender, of Princes Buildings, who claimed for \$324 money lent; Diya Singh, moneylender, of Prince's Buildings who claimed for \$812 money lent; and Bassant Singh, of the Dragon Motor Car Co., who claimed for \$216.

Mr. A. E. Hall appeared for defendant. Diya Singh produced promissory notes for \$340 and an I. O. U. for \$160.

Cross-examined, he said that in actual cash he only paid defendant \$350.

Mr. Hall:—Yet you claim for \$700 and \$112 interest?—Yes.

You charged him 10 per cent interest?—No, sometimes four and sometimes five.

His Lordship:—How do you make your \$112 interest?—That is 2 per cent. on \$700 for eight months.

Mr. Hall:—I suggest that the I. O. U. was signed at defendant's office under pressure, and that you paid him no cash; it was for interest?—No, it was paid at my office, \$30.

His Lordship asked Mr. Hall if his defence was to be that the business was not being carried on in registered offices, but Mr. Hall said he had no wish to evade payment of the amount which is really owing; he wanted to say that the amount claimed was harsh and extortionate and that the amount ought to be reduced.

Defendant said that he had only had \$300 in cash from the plaintiff. He gave the I. O. U. as payment for three months' interest at \$30 dollars per month. He paid \$10 in cash and signed the I. O. U. for \$160, (double the remainder). He paid \$30 per month regularly until October last year. His Lordship said it was the general practice of moneylenders to get a promissory note for \$200 if they lent \$100, but in well-conducted businesses if the capital of \$100 and the interest was paid they considered the matter settled. They could not be blamed; they had very little security, and if the matter came to Court, as this had they usually had to wait a very long time for their money. In such cases, his Lordship said he did not allow more than 2½ interest and if he was satisfied that too much interest had been paid previously he always gave defendant credit for it.

Santa Singh produced promissory notes for \$100 and \$200 and also claimed for \$24 interest. Defendant had been paying him \$15 per month interest until the last four months.

Defendant said that he had only received \$100 from plaintiff. The second promissory note covered the first, but plaintiff had never returned the first to him. He only paid \$10 per month interest.

Santa Singh, recalled, repeated that he was paid \$15 per month interest.

His Lordship:—Whom am I to believe? It is rather peculiar that your client, Mr. Hall, should sign a second promissory note without getting the first one back.

Mr. Hall:—I admit he has been very foolish. Bassant Singh produced a promissory note for \$200. He paid defendant \$100 and charged him 5 per cent interest.

Defendant said that he only received \$50 from plaintiff.

His Lordship intimated that he would give judgment in chambers on Saturday.

GAOLERS' 70,000 PRISONERS.

Nearly 70,000 prisoners have passed through the hands of Arthur Wright during his service as assistant gaoler at West London Police Court, from which he has retired.

NEW MOTOR BUSES.

THORNYCROFTS FOR HONGKONG.

To replace the service which was wiped out when the whole stock of motor buses was destroyed in a fire occurring last week at the garage at North Point, plans are being made by the Ming Yuen Bus Company for the importation of Thornycroft machines. Two of these will be imported ready for use, whilst only the chassis of others will be brought here, and their bodies constructed according to local specification. The cost of a complete vehicle will be anywhere between \$10,000 and \$12,000, whilst the chassis alone will be about \$6,000.

The new motor buses will be considerably larger than the yellow machines which recently came to such a disastrous ending. Weighing as much as two-and-a-half tons, accommodation is provided in each for about thirty passengers, and it is claimed for the Thornycroft machines that they will be more reliable and serviceable than some other types now in operation here. The comfort of the passengers will be a main consideration in the new bus, and interior fittings will be such as to merit the patronage of the most fastidious traveller.

Beginning with two machines, the service will be gradually extended until, with the complete realisation of the present plans of the Company, some thirty buses will be able to take their place on the service through the town.

Plans and specifications of the new machines are in the hands of the Hongkong Hotel Company, who are agents of the Thornycroft Company.

FRENCH FINANCE BILL.

Sulphur Match Monopoly to Go.

Paris, March 16.
The Senate, after rapidly adopting Articles four to thirty-three of the Finance Bill, lengthily discussed the controversial Article thirty-four, providing for abolition of the State match monopoly. The Minister of Finance pointed out that the measure was purely a fiscal and not a political one, and the article was approved by 153 to 119.—*Reuter*.

BRUTAL MURDER RECALLED.

German Nationalists Sentenced.

Berlin, March 16.
The Leipzig State Tribunal has passed sentences varying from five and a half to twelve years' penal servitude on six members of the Nationalist Roesbach organization, who some months ago at Parchim, in Mecklenburg-Schwerin, murdered most brutally a man named Kadow, whom they suspected of being a Communist spy.—*Reuter*.

PRINCE FEELING BETTER.

London, March 16.
H. R. H. the Prince of Wales passed a good night, and is much better to-day.—*Reuter*.

OBITUARY.

Paris, March 16.
General Pelle, the French High Commissioner at Constantinople, is dead.—*Reuter*.

TO-DAY.

Closing Exchange 24.4.3/16.
Barometer 2 p.m. 30.21
Temperature 2 p.m. 65
Humidity 2 p.m. 71
Leaving No-Time 6.33 p.m.

OBITUARY.

MR. B. JAMES SPITTLES.

It is with much regret that we have to record the death, which took place early this morning, of Mr. Ben James Spittles, who for many years past has been the manager of the Wine and Spirit Department of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd.

The late Mr. Spittles, who had been in ill-health for some considerable time, passed away at his home, Nathan Road, Kowloon. A particularly sad feature of Mr. Spittles' death is that he was due to proceed shortly to New Zealand, on retirement from the firm, and much sympathy will be extended to Mrs. Spittles.

Coming first to Hongkong in 1898, the deceased had served for over 25 years with his firm. He came as an assistant in the Wine Department, subsequently being appointed manager. As a member of the Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club, Mr. Spittles enjoyed a wide popularity in Kowloon and the news of his death will be much regretted by a large circle of friends. A member of the St. John's Lodge of Freemasons, a member of the Phoenix Club, and one who took a great interest in yachting, the deceased was extremely well known.

Deceased was in his 50th year of age.

The funeral passes the Monument at five o'clock this evening.

MRS. FISHER.

We regret to record the death of Mrs. Fred Fisher, wife of Inspector Fisher of the S.P.C.A., which took place at her residence, 5, Blue Buildings, last night. The deceased lady, who was born in Hongkong, had been a martyr to cancer for the past six months, and her death proves a happy release from terrible suffering. The utmost sympathy is felt for the bereaved husband and family.

MORE BIG BANGS.

Projected Explosions in France.

The many curious and unexpected phenomena associated with the explosion of five tons of perchlorate of ammonium at Oldbroek, in Holland, in September, 1922, gave rise to many theories concerning the propagation of sound waves in air, and the International Committee dealing with this problem have decided to repeat the experiment some time in the spring says a recent Home paper.

Oldbroek, the locale of the previous explosion, was lately situated for the purposes of the experiment. It lies on the eastern shore of the Zuider Zee, and the big gulf and the North Sea comprise a large area of water stretching westward from which few records of the audibility of the explosion could be expected. For that reason it is probable the coming explosion—or rather a series of explosions on several days—will take place as near the centre of France as possible, so that there will be listeners, trained and untrained, scattered over thousands of square miles of land in every direction.

The Dutch explosion was heard in Austria, Germany, France, and many places in England and Scotland, the sound penetrating the greatest distance towards the south-east, well over 500 miles. It was heard in Scotland more than 400 miles from Oldbroek, and also towards the south-west among the Channel Islands. Normally sound travels in air at about 1,090 feet a second, but reliable records of the Oldbroek explosion gave values ranging from 843 feet to 1,667 feet a second. Preparations are being made to organise reliable "listeners-in" at the time of the French explosion, and anyone who hears them is invited to send details to the Meteorological Office, with particulars of the exact time, place, and approximate direction and velocity of the wind.

MURDER RUMOUR.

NOTHING IN IT.

A rumour prevailed in town this morning to the effect that a serious disturbance took place in Ship Street last night as a result of which a British soldier was murdered. The rumour is an example of how an exaggerated story can gain currency here. After exhaustive enquiries to-day we learn that nothing of the kind above happened, but that, just after ten o'clock, there was some quarrelling in one of the hotels in town between American and British sailors. A picket was turned out and the whole matter was soon ended, no arrests being made.

DOGS AND CATS.

A SUCCESSFUL SHOW.

The Dog and Cat Show held at the Volunteer Headquarters on Saturday was in every way a complete success, reflecting credit on all concerned in the arranging of the event. There were altogether 130 entries, of which twelve were cats, and the standard of the exhibits was extremely good. A word is due regarding the hard work put in by Mr. B. L. Frost, the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, who was given three hearty cheers at the conclusion of the judging. The judges were Mr. F. J. McCarthy and Dr. B. H. Mellon, the other officials being:—Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (President), Messrs. H. Birkett, F. Fisher, H. G. Wilson, F. H. Dillon, W. Ward, I. Zelenksky, R. McEwen, R. McEwen, Jr., J. McEwen, J. H. Woodier, Lieut. Col. Butterworth (committee) with Mr. B. L. Frost (hon. secretary and treasurer).

When the judging was completed, Lady Fowler presented the prizes, and in addition presented a silver cup to Mr. F. J. McCarthy on behalf of the Society, as a token of their appreciation of his never-failing advice and service in their interests.

Following were the awards:

Airedales—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Mr. E. T. Banjo; 3, Miss M. G. Alves; certificate, Mr. J. F. Joseph.
Bulldogs—1, Mr. G. H. Wilson; 2, Miss Lucy Tse; 3, Miss Agnes Tse; certificate, Miss Sasaki Sumi.
Bull Terriers—1, Mr. J. W. Franks; 2, Capt. G. E. Swinton; 3, Chown—1, Mrs. J. H. Scott; 2, Mr. J. Clarke, Junr.; certificate, Mrs. E. C. Hagen.

Cross Breeds—1, Mrs. W. B. Hind; 2, Mr. C. M. Wilson; 3, Mr. R. G. McEwen; certificate, Mr. F. Syme Thomson.

Cocker Spaniels—1, Mr. W. Sinclair; 2, Lieut. Commr. Conway Hake; 3, Mrs. J. H. Backhouse.

Japanese—1, and 2, Mrs. J. J. Harrington.

Litters of puppies under 3 months—1, Mr. P. W. Ramsey; 2, Mr. F. A. M. Bosario; 3, Misses Annie and Katie Tse.

Puppies 3 to 12 months old—1, Mr. J. W. Franks; 2, Mr. W. Sinclair; 3, Mr. J. W. Franks.

Puppies 12 to 18 months old—1, and 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 3, Mrs. E. Wilken; certificate, Mr. F. M. L. Soares.

Pekingese—1, Mr. C. Edgecombe; 2, Madame Montargis.

Pointers—1, Mr. F. A. Machado; 2, Mr. A. A. Lopes; 3, Mr. F. M. L. Soares; certificate, Mr. P. A. Rosario.

Setters—1, Mr. H. Birkett; 2, and 3, Mrs. Quarles Van Ufford; certificate, Mr. Wong Tse-ting.

Fox Terriers—1, Mr. G. H. Lyon; Wirehaired Terriers—1, Mr. E. B. Reed.

Terriers (Unclassified)—1, Miss Matheson (Cairn Terrier).

Other Breeds (Unclassified)—1, Mrs. V. Lyon (greyhound); 2, Mr. W. Ward (Australian Bullhound); 3, Mrs. N. S. Moses (Scottish collie); certificate, Sergt. H. Smith (African wolfhound).

Terrian Cats—1, Mrs. S. Banner.

Siamese Cats—1, Miss L. Mackenzie; 2, Miss L. Fowler; 3, Master Billy Rees-Davies.

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OLD BOYS' REUNION
DINNER.

The fourth annual reunion dinner of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association took place on Saturday night. The function was held in the School hall, which was lavishly decorated and illuminated with numerous coloured lanterns suspended from the ceiling, and was attended by about three hundred, including many guests.

After Mr. Kwok Kau, the oldest past pupil present, had rung the bell, announcing the beginning of the function, those present took their seats at the various tables to do justice to an excellent dinner. Mr. George Grimbly, Chairman of the Old Boys' Association, presided, and supporting him were Mr. U. Rumpah, Vice-President, Mr. R. Tanner, Headmaster, and the European masters of Queen's College.

Chairman's Speech.

Before proposing the toast of "Queen's College," the Chairman said he would ask it ever struck those present what a wonderful body of men had been educated in the old Government Central School (the predecessor of Queen's College). "Good wine needs no bush, and facts speak for themselves," said Mr. Grimbly. "So I am making no empty boast in saying that thanks to the extremely capable manner in which Mr. Stewart afterwards Colonial Secretary here, Dr. Bateson Wright, Messrs. Falconer, Arthur, May, Dealy and others handled and taught us, we in Hongkong and throughout the length and breadth of China have a lot for which to thank Queen's College."

Mr. Grimbly said that though he did not know the curriculum of the School, he felt that the present scholars had better opportunities of studying a greater variety of subjects under the able care and tuition of Mr. Tanner and the staff. "I hope they will emulate the great bulk of those who have passed out of this College and have made such good names for themselves," the Chairman said. "Without doubt, they are some of the finest men in the East. Two years ago, Sir Robert Ho Tung, my predecessor, said: 'Throughout the length and breadth of China students of this great educational institution have occupied and are occupying positions of trust, of honour and of responsibility. In commercial life, no less than in the liberal professions, Queen's College students have risen to the highest rung in the ladder of their associations.' In the Legislative Assembly, our fellow students have taken their honored seats. Our gracious King has shown his pleasure in one of our fellow students, Sir Robert Ho Tung, by bestowing on him a knighthood which, you must agree, was a well-deserved honour, and less than two years ago I read in one of the papers, when I was in England, that the late Mr. Lau Chi-pok was to have received some signal mark of the King's favour. We have another fellow student making history now, when I should have liked to have seen here to-night. I refer to Generalissimo Sun Yat-sen. My Committee told me it would be a waste of time to ask him, as he was pretty busy at the moment. I am sure, anyway, that we would have given him a better time than he is probably having now."

Continuing, Mr. Grimbly emphasized the need of the greater interest of the members in the work of the Association. As Bishop Dwyer said at the City Hall the other day, "There is power in association. You can accomplish together what you cannot accomplish singly. The sum of your united efforts is far greater than the sum of your individual efforts." Mr. Grimbly

said that the membership now totalled 614, which was not very many considering that about 17,000 students had passed through Queen's College. Mr. Grimbly urged those present to do their best for their Alma Mater, after which he proposed the continued prosperity of Queen's College.

The Ideal School.

The toast having been enthusiastically honoured, Mr. Tanner replied. In the course of his speech he said: "In these days of transition and experiment it is more than gratifying—it is really a tremendous help—to us to feel that in the efforts that it is our duty and pleasure to make to give our boys the education for which they come to us, we have behind us the support and confidence of those Old Boys who, in a great number of instances, are the fathers or elder brothers of those now attending the school. Some days ago, in glancing through a Home educational journal, I came across a paragraph in which reference was made to what should, among other things, be the unmistakable marks of a good school,—a school that, in the highest sense of the word, was adequately and efficiently discharging its function of really 'educating' its boys. The writer spoke, for instance, of the necessity to ensure that when a boy was being taught, he should not be merely spending so much time over various subjects, but should be genuinely learning them; that masters should be teachers, as distinguished from lecturers. Or to put it as a schoolboy once did when he said: 'In this school the masters fairly rub the lessons into you. A second unflinching mark of a good school is that its boys are good sportsmen, keen on winning, but able to accept defeat in a good spirit and without "grousing". But after all it is neither victory nor defeat that matters, but that what does matter is that they are playing the game. And while plenty of scope is provided for individual work and effort, there is no doubt that outside their classrooms the main activities of the boys ought to be directed not to their own personal gratification, but to playing for their class or their school so that they may learn something of the great lessons of unselfish co-operation in team work, and thought and consideration for others."

Worthy Followers.

"And I feel confident in saying that anyone seeing Queen's College boys at work or at play will be convinced that in both these respects we masters and mistresses are doing our utmost to prove ourselves worthy of the confidence so unreservedly placed in us. But it is to a third distinguishing mark of a good school that I wish more particularly to direct your attention this evening, that it must have such traditions and such a record of achievement by Old Boys as make every present boy feel proud to belong to it."

In this respect, as has just been abundantly shown by our President in the course of his speech, the Old Boys are supremely fortunate, because our boys have every reason to be proud of and grateful to the men who covered the ground before them and, who by their wonderful record of service and achievement, have so greatly lightened the task we of the staff have undertaken in our endeavour to work out the problems as to how to use the various subjects of instruction to the best educational advantage of each individual boy and to develop all his faculties, so as to help him in turn to become a worthy follower in the footsteps of that great army of Old Boys who have gone before him and who are so worthily represented here to-night. (Applause.)

Mr. Tanner said he would like to suggest that for next year's dinner the Association extend their invitation to the mistresses, who took an

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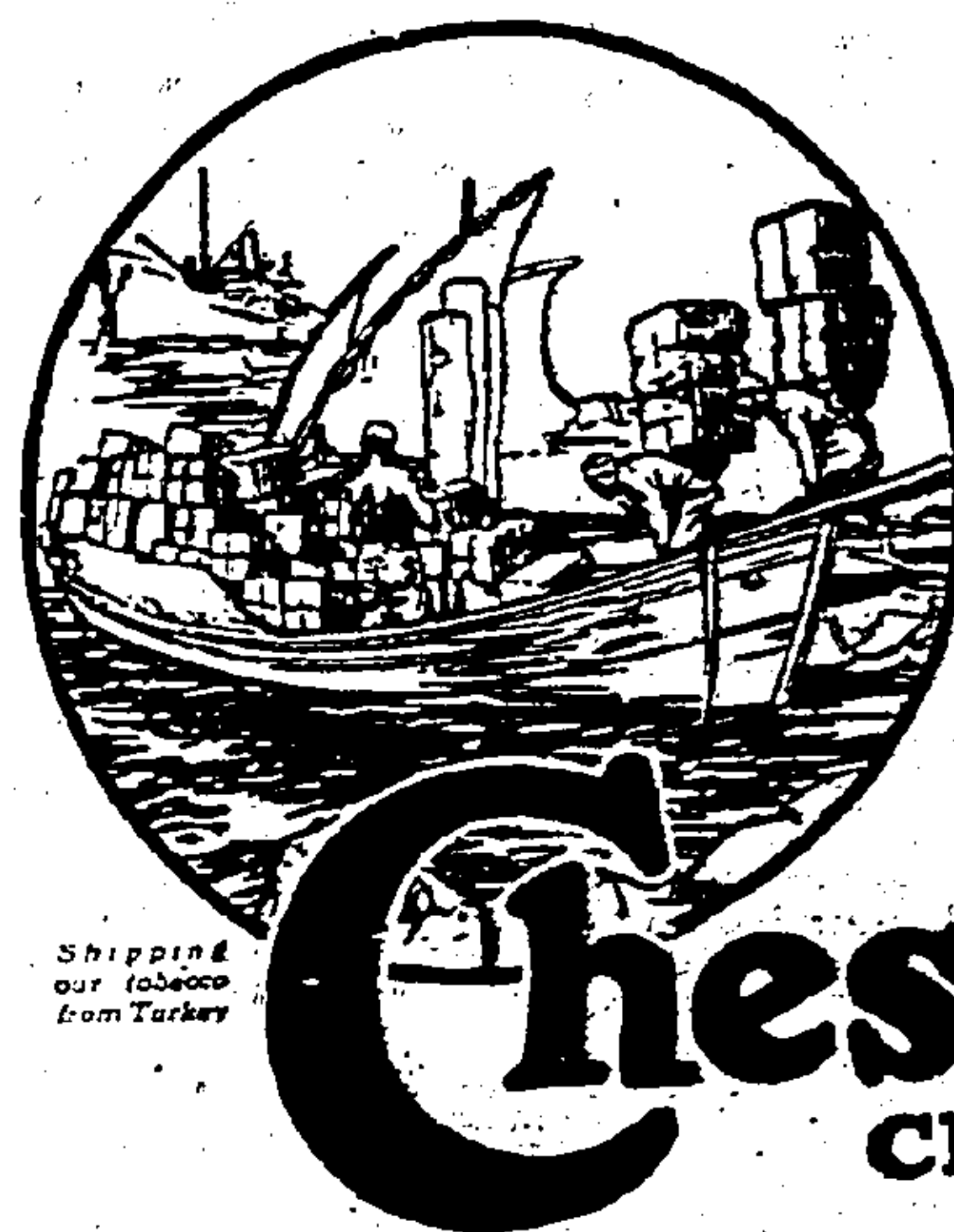
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

TERRIBLE TRAIN SMASH.

Delhi, March 15.

It is estimated that at least 40 were killed and 53 injured in a railway accident three miles from Bareilly. A mixed train passing over a bridge was struck with full force by a severe cyclone. Five third-class bogie carriages in the rear of the train were overturned, three carriages fell into the river and four were completely reversed. The passengers were imprisoned in the debris beneath. Most of the casualties were third-class passengers.—Reuter.

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RUGBY.

ENGLAND AGAIN CHAMPIONS.

London, March 15.—At Twickenham, in glorious weather, before 40,000 spectators, including His Majesty the King, England beat Scotland by 10 points to nil, thus winning the International Championship. England attacked in the early stages and from a scrum right under the Scottish bar, Young actually got over, but was held up. At length Scotland worked their way to the English line, where a grim struggle ensued until Chantrell, the English full back, kicked to touch. After thirty eight minutes play, Corbett cross kicked to Wakefield, who scored a try under the posts. Conway converted. At half time England led by five points to nil. On the resumption, after fruitless Scottish attacks, the English scrum half, Young whipped the ball out to Myers, who dropped a great goal with the left foot. England continued to press, and five minutes from the end Myers picked up in the loose, ran through the Scots defence and scored a wonderful try. Conway converted. In the last minute Catchside scored a try near the post. Conway again converting.—*Reuter.*

YACHTING.

THE LADIES' CUP.

Eighteen yachts started on Saturday afternoon in the race for the Ladies' Cup in very good sailing weather. The sun made conditions pleasantly warm and the wind was sufficient to ensure good sailing without being wet. The course was fairly long, nine and a half miles, taking in Lyemun Beacon, Cut Rock, Quarry Bay and Channel Rocks in the order named. All four classes, Heyward Hays, Handicaps, Gulls and One Design, started together. Rolla did not start and the favourite, Diana, was five minutes late over the line, and had the misfortune to foul a mark and so retired from the race. At Lyemun, in taking the turn very narrowly, a sudden gust of wind made her heel and the main-sail touched the top of the Beacon. Under Saturday's conditions, the Heyward Hays boats showed up to advantage and on handicap the first two boats were Ursula (Mr. H. S. Rouse) and Adanac (Capt. Davidson), but though Ursula is virtually the winner, the result is in some doubt until a protest has come before the Sailing Committee for decision.

HOME SOCCER.

WALES WINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

London, March 15.—At Belfast, in ideal weather, before 30,000 spectators, Wales beat Ireland by a goal to nil, thus winning the International championship. The ground was in splendid condition. Play opened very fast, Ireland, attacking. The Welsh backs relieved, but Ireland returned and severely tested the Welsh defence. Thereafter the Welsh goal had narrow escapes. There was no score at half-time. On the resumption, Ireland continued to attack, there being an exciting five minutes in the Welsh goalmouth, but the ball was eventually cleared. Then Wales obtained a penalty from which Russell, the Welsh right back, scored. Ireland made vigorous efforts to equalise, but Wales kept them out.—*Reuter.*

English League v. Scottish League.

London, March 15.—At Glasgow, the Inter-League soccer match between the Scottish and English, resulted in a draw of a goal each.—*Reuter.*

HOME FOOTBALL.

LATEST LEAGUE RESULTS.
London, Mar. 16.—Matches played yesterday resulted as follows:

English League.
Aston Villa ... 0 Tottenham ... 0
Burnley ... 0 Sunderland ... 3
Cardiff C. ... 0 Notts County ... 2
Chelsea ... 1 Birmingham ... 1
Liverpool ... 0 Blackburn R. ... 0
Middlesbrough ... 1 Bolton W. ... 2
Newcastle ... 1 W. Bromwich ... 1
Notts Forest ... 2 Arsenal ... 1
Preston N. E. ... 4 Manchester C. ... 1
Sheffield U. ... 0 Huddersfield ... 1
West Ham U. ... 2 Everton ... 1
Scottish League.
Kilmarnock ... 3 Clyde ... 0
Morton ... 4 St. Mirren ... 0
Motherwell ... 2 Hibernians ... 1
Raith Rovers ... 2 Queen's Park ... 0
Airdrieonians ... 1 Partick T. ... 1
Ayr U. ... 3 Clydebank ... 1
Dundee ... 1 Hamilton A. ... 1
Falkirk ... 3 Celtic ... 1
Hearts ... 3 Third Lanark ... 1
Aberdeen v. Rangers match was postponed.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

PRINCE OF WALES INJURED AGAIN.

London, March 15.
The Prince of Wales rode in the Army point-to-point steeplechase near Wokingham to-day, his first public appearance since he broke his collar-bone in February.
His Royal Highness had a narrow escape in the first event, just steering clear of three horses that fell at a jump. Then, the Prince was thrown at the first fence in the last event, falling somewhat heavily on his head and hands. He was removed on a stretcher to a farm-house, with his face bleeding. He protested against his removal on the stretcher, saying he was quite able to walk. Later he recovered sufficiently to return to London by motor-car.
Prince Henry was thrown in another race at the same meeting, but was not hurt. The Duke of York was a spectator.
Later.—The Prince of Wales' accident was not serious. He received a kick in the face from his horse, bled freely from the nose and suffered slight concussion. The Prince was conveyed by motor to Aldershot and did not return to London. This was the first time he had ridden since his accident on 8th February.
Prince Henry's fall was due to a collision with a cyclist who got on the course.—*Reuter.*

GOVERNMENT OF EGYPT.

Cairo, March 15.
Egypt's first parliament opened in fine weather, and scenes of great enthusiasm, crowds shouting continuously and singing out for special applause senators and deputies, who had been imprisoned or deported. But everybody was cheered, including the British journalists, who were greeted with shouts of "Sudan!"—apparently indicating the crowd's desire for the union of Sudan with Egypt.
Lord Allenby, accompanied by Lady Allenby, was an imposing figure in Field Marshal's uniform.
King Fuad, accompanied by Zaglul Pasha, drove from the Palace in a state carriage, incessantly cheered. After the King had taken the oath, Zaglul Pasha read the speech from the throne, which stated that the task of Parliament was to realise the complete independence of Egypt. The Government was ready to negotiate with Britain with a view to realising the national aspirations of Egypt and the Sudan.

MINERS' WAGES.

London, March 15.
The miners' decision yesterday to invoke the aid of Parliament in settling the wages question places the Government in an awkward position. The Minimum Wage Bill, to which the resolution referred, being a private bill must be withdrawn under the Government's decision to take private members' time till the end of the financial year, and if the Government, which is bound to the miners by pledges, introduces its own Bill on the subject, it will be more fiercely attacked than ever, on the ground of interfering in industry, and possibly even forced to appeal to the country. This probably explains the official announcement to-day that yesterday's resolution does not mean that negotiations have ended.

Mr. Shinwell, Secretary of Mines, proposes to ask both sides to meet him next week.—*Reuter.*

FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON.

Paris, March 15.
The report that M. Sarraut, Minister for the Colonies, has been appointed French Ambassador to Washington in succession to M. Jusserand, is denied in political circles.—*Reuter.*



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GERMAN TREASON TRIAL.

Munich, March 15.
Von Lossow was yesterday fined ten Rentenmarks for contempt of court, after walking out of the treason trial following the outburst of von Hitler, who accused him of breaking his word. Von Lossow did not appear to-day, but sent a curt letter refusing to testify "for reasons clear to all present yesterday." Solicitors for defendants demanded the issue of a warrant against von Lossow.
Later.—The President ordered von Lossow to pay a fine of fifty gold marks, with the alternative of five days' imprisonment. Nothing was said about compelling him to appear.—*Reuter.*



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HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE thirty-eight yearly general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 25th. March, 1924, at 5.30 p.m.

By order,
T. A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th. March, 1924.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Club, called in pursuance of a requisition by more than 20 resident members, will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 25th. March, 1924, immediately after the yearly general meeting.

Business—
As set forth in the notice posted in the Hall, of the Club.

By order,
T. A. ROBERTSON
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th. March 1924.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS (LIMITED).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at The Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd. March, 1924, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st. December 1923, confirming the appointment of Directors, and re-electing a Director, and the Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Friday the 14th March 1924 until Saturday the 22nd March 1924, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
FERRY H. SICKLING,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th March 1924.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on Monday, March 24th, 1924, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, City Hall, for the following purposes:

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1923.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order,
D. K. BLAIR,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th. March, 1924.

THE HONGKONG CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

THE Owners of s.s. "Honam" for the purchase of this vessel, either for breaking up purposes or running. Tenders must be subject to the conditions of sale which may be inspected at the Company's Office or at the office of the Company's solicitors, Messrs. Deacon, Harson and Shenton, Hongkong.

The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.
By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th. Feb. 1924.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

THE ANNUAL SPORTS will be held at 1.30 p.m. on FRIDAY, 21st. March, at HAPPY VALLEY.
Prizes will be distributed by Mrs. S. W. TSO. at 5.30.
There will be an OLD BOYS' RACE of 220 yards.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE Fifty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 27th March 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st. December 1923.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March 1924, both days inclusive.
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ADMIRAL ORINETAL LINE

THE STEAMSHIP "PRESIDENT MADISON"

having arrived from Manila, P.I. on March 15th. Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., at Kowloon, & stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on March, 21st, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after March 22nd, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

United States Shipping Board
Emergency Fleet Corporation
Agents,
ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE
4, Des Vaux Road,
Hongkong, March, 17th, 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 17th. March.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th. March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer, must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 7th. April, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
15th. March 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

N. Y. K. LINE.

(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA)

From EUROPE & STRAITS.

The Steamship, "LYONS MARU."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf, and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd. March, 1924, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays & Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage Period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Hongkong, 16th. March, 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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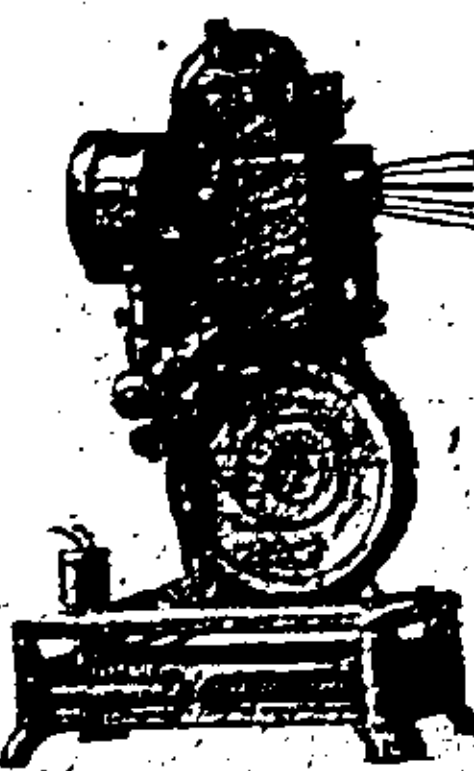
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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Hongkong, 17th. March, 1924.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. LAI HIN MAN the Owner of THE KOWLOON HOTEL, Kowloon has as from the First day of March, 1924, leased THE KOWLOON HOTEL with all the Furniture and etc. therein to Mr. FRANK LEWIS COOKE upon Terms mutually agreed.

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MONDAY, the 24th March, 1924, at 2.30 p.m. at No. 1 Minden Avenue, Kowloon, on view Saturday and Sunday, 22nd and 23rd March

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Stained teak Jacobean style dining suite, including China cabinet, carved screen, palm stands, &c. Combined desk and bookcase, bevelled mirror, hat rack, large upholstered tapestry Chesterfield couch and arm and lady's chairs, silver cabinet, three fold screens, Japanese embroidered screen, Stained teak desk, large adjustable leather upholstered arm-chairs and fender seat. Folded table, mahogany polished teak &c. bedroom suite, with double bedstead, large bevel mirror wardrobe, dressing table, chest-of-drawers, couch, &c. also single bedsteads, double bevelled mirror wardrobe, invalid bed table, mosquito nets, blankets, eider down quilts, bed linen, curtains electric reading lamps, roller window blinds, carpets, Tientsin and Mohair rugs, &c. Trousers press, Falkirk Eddy and "Salador" filters, ice chest, kitchen stove, glasses, cutlery and usual household sundries.

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Hongkong, March 15th, 1924.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Monday the 24th. March, 1924, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at No. 3 Gascoine Road, Kowloon A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture, (Particulars form Catalogue)

On View on day of sale
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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, Friday, the 21st. March, 1924, commencing at 5.15 p.m.

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On View from Thursday, the 20th. March 1924.

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NOTICE.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 8th to the 20th March 1924 (both days inclusive).
By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March 1924.

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In regard to progress made in the school the inspector of English schools reported that the discipline was excellent, while the general improvement in reading was maintained. Arithmetic and Composition were good throughout.

Drawing showed a great improvement; colour work was introduced with excellent results. Design in Classes 1 and 2 was especially good, the work giving evidence of considerable originality and artistic ability.

University Successes.

During the year 13 Pupils entered for the Senior Local Examination of the Hongkong University and all passed, one with Honours. Miss Kwok Yik Ming (Distinction in English and History) while Miss Conclata del Fan obtained distinction in Geography, and Miss Yeung Wai Lim in Drawing. For the Junior Local examination 15 Pupils entered, and 11 passed, Miss Aurelia Geng with Distinction in English, Spanish and Biblical Knowledge, and Miss Elizabeth Thomas with Distinction in English.

Miss Thelma and Miss Mary Hui were the winners of the Lugard Scholarship for the years 1923-1924.

Miss Anita King and Miss Regina Rosario won the Lady Ho Tung Scholarship for Good Conduct and Application.

The prize for Biblical Knowledge was won by Miss Yeung Wai Lim.

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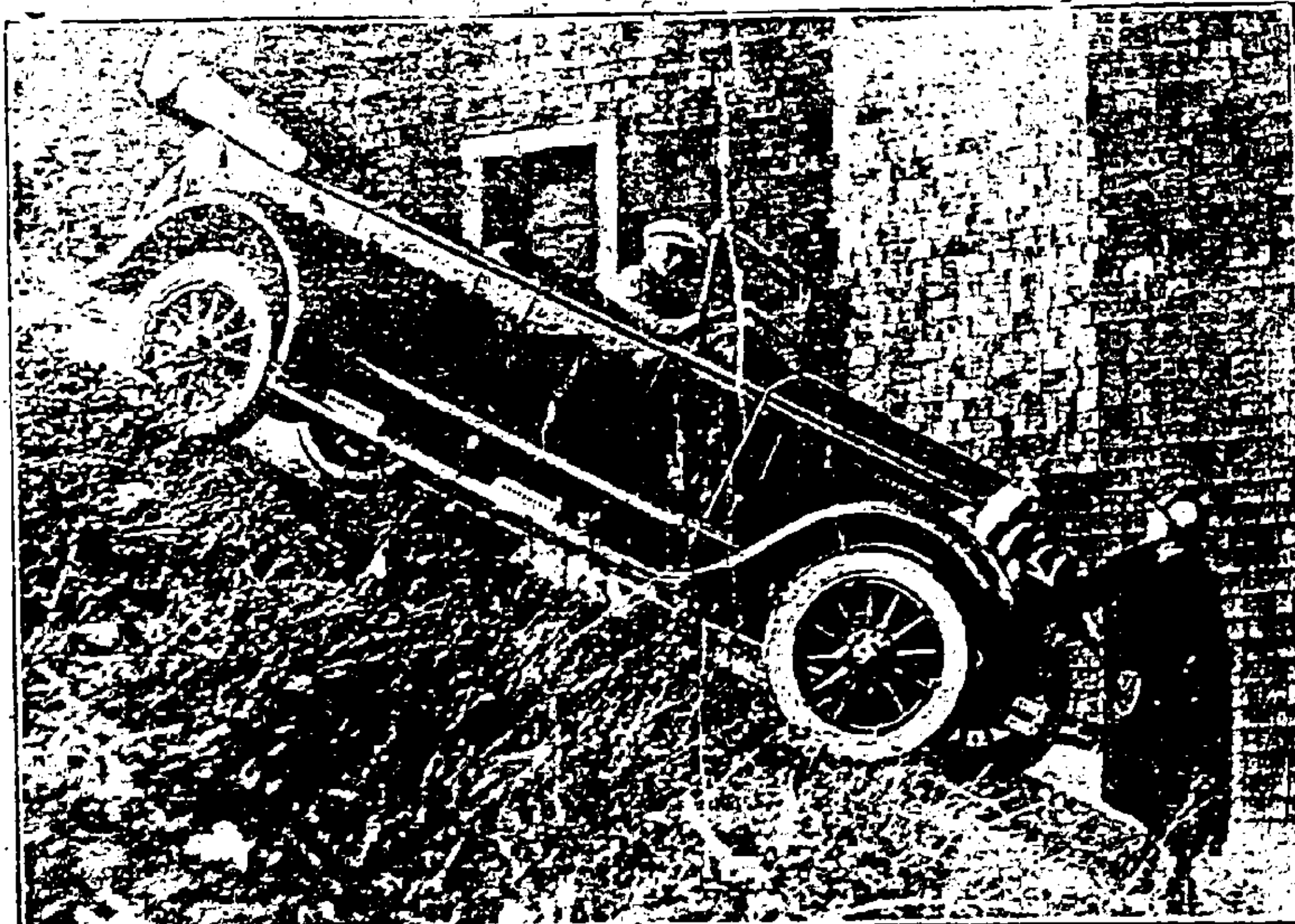
(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, March 16. Last night at the Happy Valley ring, Jerry Monohan, the Irish American heavyweight, on his way to Manila from America defeated Silvano Jamito, the Filipino whirlwind boxer, on points in fifteen three-minute rounds. The verdict created a surprise, because Jerry was up to the defensive, Jamito making the pace using both hands well, but the referee's verdict was supported by another referee present, who is qualified N. S. C. referee and a member of the British Boxing Board of Control. Jerry claims the title of Lightweight Champion of the Orient, but Young Pelly, who beat Jamito recently, is now acknowledged champion here and at Manila.

THE "HOOD" PRAISED.

Naval officers of several countries who had had the opportunity of seeing both the British battle cruiser Hood and the American battleship Colorado draw favourable comparisons of the Hood. One of the points of the Hood is her absence of needless top work, which render her a comparatively small target, while the great tripod masts of the Colorado, hung round with all kinds of gauds, make an easily discerned target at a distance when the Hood would be almost invisible.

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25 m.p.h. 58'	25 m.p.h. .. 27' 1/2"
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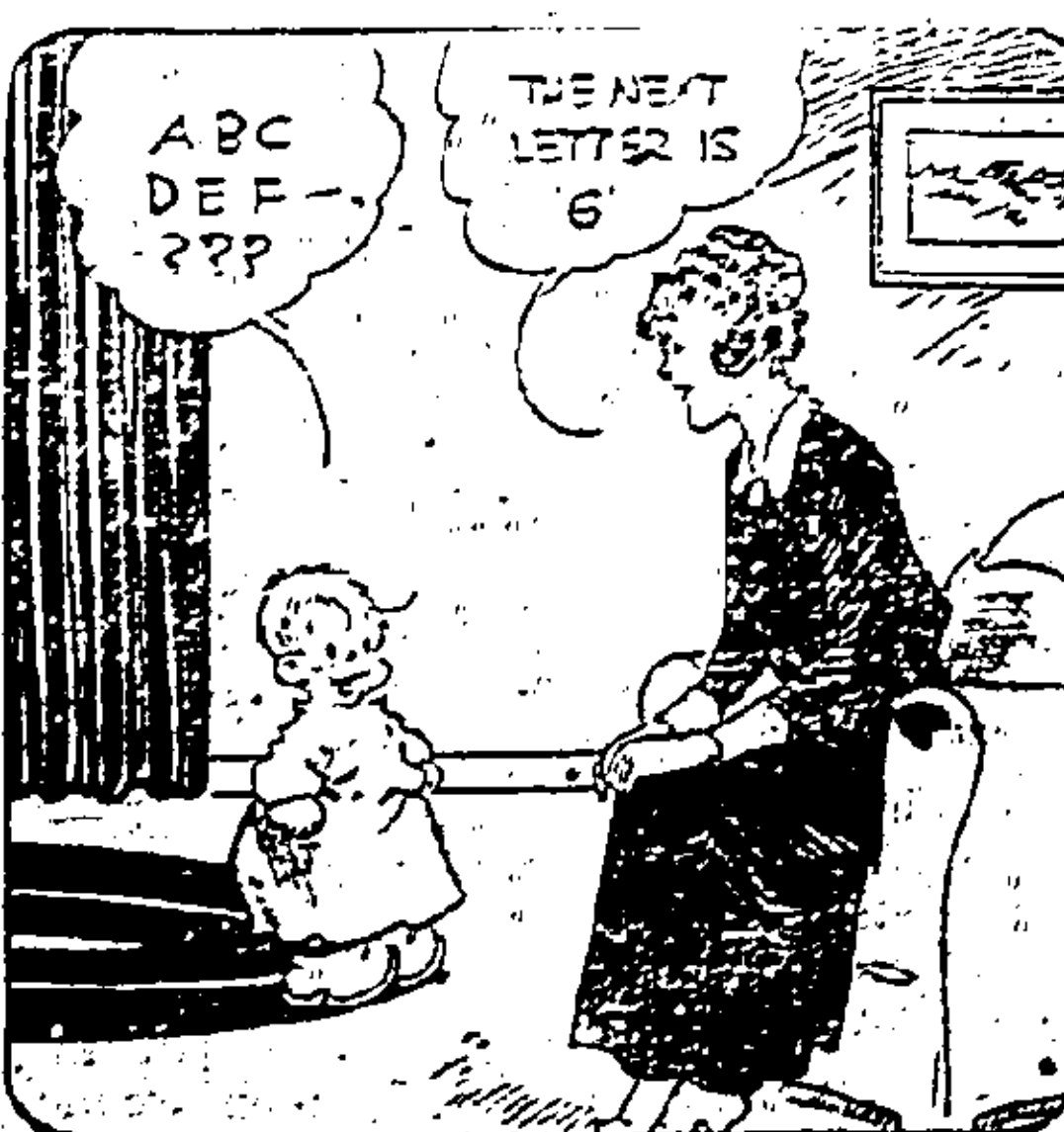
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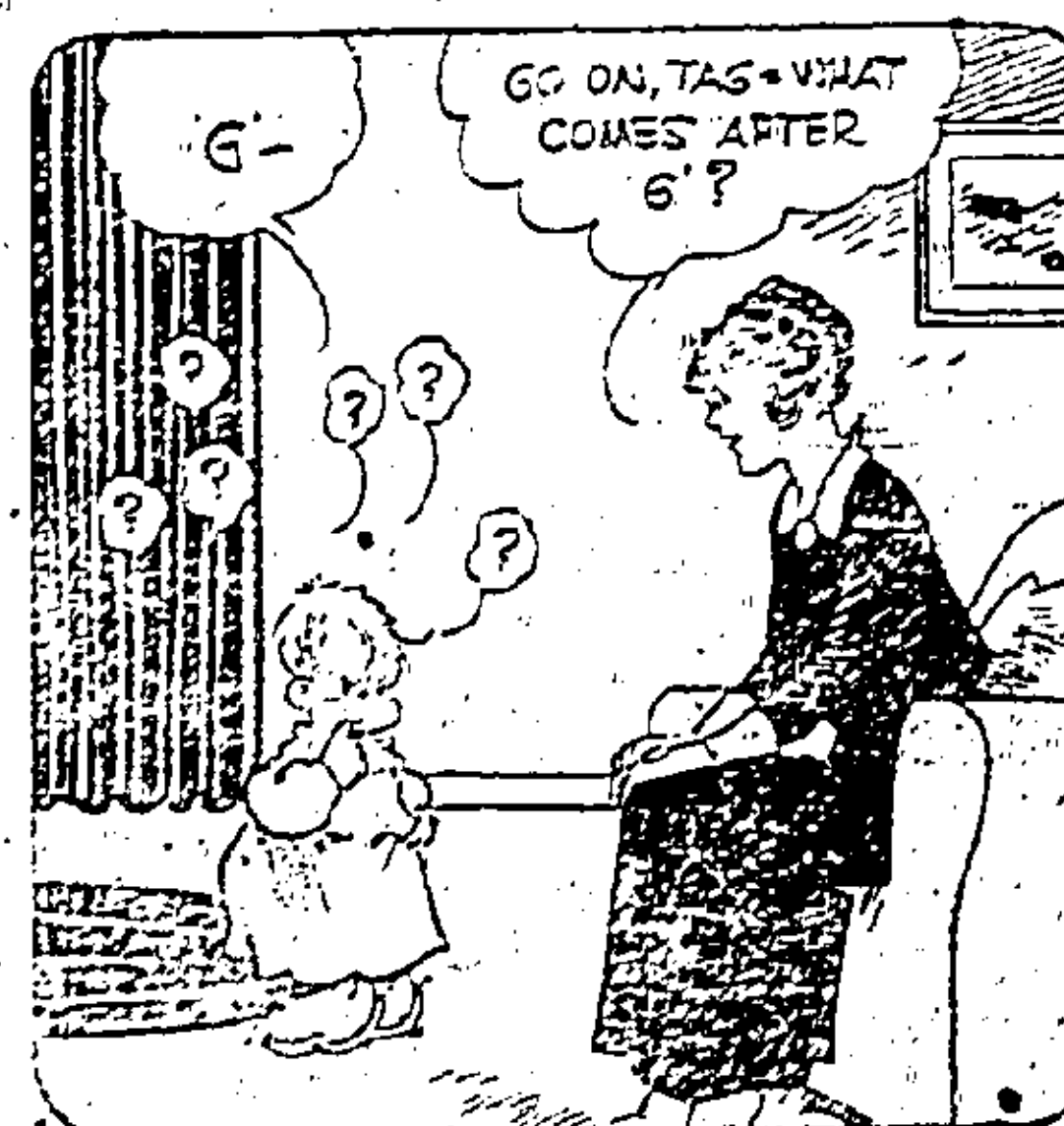
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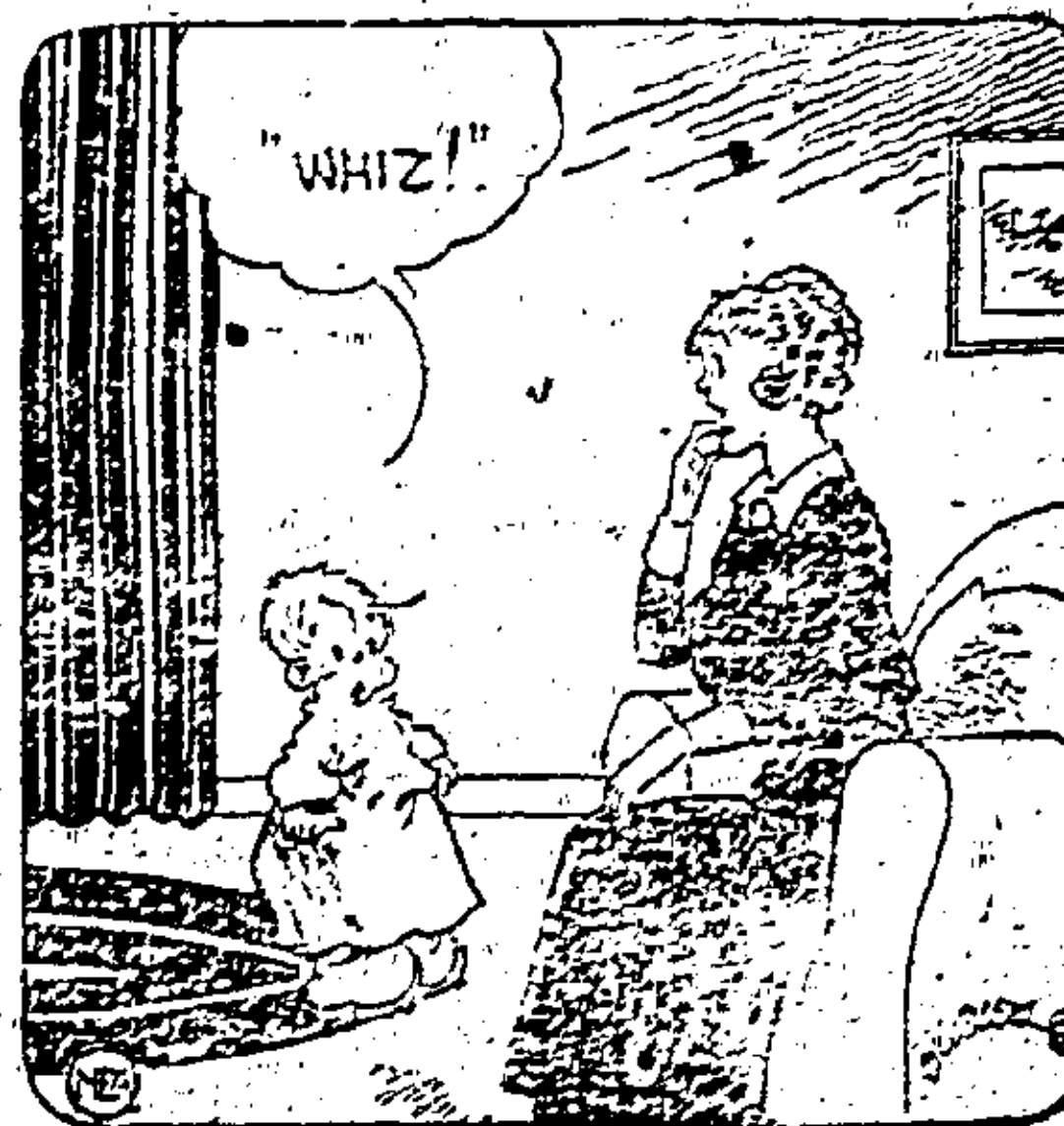
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DEATHS.

FISHER. Sophia Maria Gutierrez, of cancer, at her home, No. 5 Blue Buildings, at 9 p.m. 16th March 1924. (Shanghai and Sydney papers please copy.)

SPITTLES.—On March 17th, at 30B, Nathan Road, Kowloon, Ben James Spittles, of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., in his 50th year of age. Funeral passes the Monument at 5 p.m. this evening.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 17th March, 1924.

THE CHANGING TIMES.

By slow degrees, Hongkong is beginning to free itself of being so entirely dependent as it has been in the past upon manual labour. If we look around us, we can see evidences of the growing use of mechanical means for the accomplishment of many of the ordinary tasks of workaday life. Time was, not so very long ago, when all the Colony's building material was carried or pulled to hillside and other sites by means of coolies—men, women and children. It has, indeed, been said with some degree of truth that Peak residences have, in the main, been built from baskets full of lime, stone and bricks which have been taken up to the heights by toiling men and women of this class. The same is true to a like extent of many of our hillside roads. Nowadays, however, the motor truck does much of this work, with a consequent saving in time if not in cost. Then if we think in terms of timber we shall most of us recall that practically all the Colony's wants in this respect were provided by workmen with huge hand-saws struggling to cut through big blocks of wood. Even nowadays, this method is still employed in regard to much of the cutting up of wood locally used in building operations. Gradually, however, the circular saw is making its appearance, and here and there its business-like hum can be heard as it gets through in a few minutes what it would take hours to accomplish by the older method. Then we have all seen, and sometimes pitied, the gangs of coolie women tugging and pulling on ropes attached to heavy stone rollers used in road-making. Now, as a recent illustration we published showed, tractors are being given a trial on this work, and doubtless in time they will to a great extent

cause a disappearance of the coolie gangs. Another respect in which manual labour is being displaced is in stonebreaking, for mechanical breakers are now in use in this Colony and are destined to be adopted in growing numbers.

These are only a few of the changes which one notices when moving about Hongkong nowadays. Others there are as well, and more to come. Meantime, steam cranes have yet to come into use here to any marked extent, even though we have succumbed to the skyscraper habit. And Morrison Hill still continues to be dug down by gangs of workers with pick and shovel. But we are slowly moving along modern lines, and inevitably in the long run many of our workers will be forced into other channels of labour.

Revelations.

One discovery follows another, in the Teapot Dome oil investigation, until it becomes an intriguing pastime to speculate on what has to come next. Apart from the interest which the peculiar name of this oilbearing region has lent to the case, there is sufficient suggestion of corruption in high places to make the matter—and the various side issues that are being uncovered—a scandal of the first magnitude. It is impossible any longer to view the whole affair anything short of a revelation of the wide ramifications of "graft" in the United States. Evidently there are Augean stables in America that require a long-overdue cleaning, and it is equally evident that the Government is determined to have every hole and corner scoured. It is inevitable that the process should give rise to a somewhat stinking atmosphere, but the air should be the cleaner afterwards for this discovery of cesspools. The bulk of the public in the United States must be shocked at the apparent magnitude of the underhand dealings which are being exposed, and no doubt they will heave a big sigh of relief when the whole sorry business is fully dealt with and the black spots cleansed. For the present we have to await the ultimate issues of a matter which is practically *sub judice*; but ere leaving the subject we might suggest that many another Government could profitably set afoot a few searching enquiries into various channels of administration, and possibly discover a few equally startling facts. In these days of economy it becomes more and more an urgent necessity to have the whole departmental government of a country based on honest effort for the public good. All forms of bribery and corruption should be rigidly suppressed and the responsible persons dealt with ruthlessly.

FAMOUS MAGICIANS.

COMING TO THE STAR THEATRE.

Lovers of good magic and mystery will welcome the announcement of the Star Theatre of the forthcoming season of Chefalo and Palermo, the continental magicians and illusionists.

This talented company have just returned from Europe and bring with them scores and scores of new and novel surprising illusions and mysteries. Probably the most talked about item in their vast programme is Rajah Ali and his weird crystal gazing phenomena, which is said to border on the supernatural. In this part of the programme members of the audience are requested to write questions on slips of paper, seal the questions up in envelopes and retain them in their own possession, and the Rajah, with the aid of his crystal, seems to be able to look right into the minds of our very thoughts and not only reads off the questions and answers, but actually calls out our names.

Chefalo and Palermo are assisted by a half score of clever assistants, who provide several interesting variety turns in the magical programme.

The season commences on Thursday night, March 20, and is for three nights only. The plans are now open at Moutrie's and at the Star.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS ALWAYS AN EMPTY HEAD THAT SWELLS.

Lammert Bice's sale of equipment from the old Steel Foundry has been postponed from the 18th to the 25th instant.

A new Indo-China S.N. Company's steamer, the s.s. Lien Shing, is to be launched at Kowloon Dock on the 26th instant.

A Reuter's message from London reports the death of Mr. Richard Grundy, C.B., a former editor of the *North China Daily News*, and a prominent official of the China Association.

During the past two days there have been notified nine Chinese cases of small-pox, two Chinese occurrences of cerebro-spinal fever, and one case each of diphtheria (Chinese) and scarlet fever (Formosan).

There was a dramatic sequel last week to the trial and acquittal last summer of Mrs. Rowarth on a charge of attempted murder of an Indian moneylender. William H. Goulbourn, a chartered accountant, was charged at H.M. Police Court, Shanghai, with committing perjury at the trial.

Originally it had been intended that Baby Peggy's first big picture, "The Darling of New York," should be shown at the Coronet Theatre for three days only, but so popular has the picture proved that the management has decided to show it for two days more, namely to-day and to-morrow. Higher tribute than this could hardly be paid to a picture.

The Hawaiian Troubadours' last appearance at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night drew a large audience which manifested its appreciation in a most demonstrative manner, frequently calling for encores which were readily responded to. The tuneful melodies, with just a little touch of jazz to give the required pep, were much enjoyed. The Company is returning to the Colony after a brief visit to Canton and Macao and will open again at the Star Theatre on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

INDIAN BOMB FACTORY.

Men Caught Red Handed.

Calcutta, March 16. The *Statesman* reports that the police have discovered a complete bomb factory, containing six live bombs resembling Mills grenades, while several others were being manufactured. Two Bengalees were caught red-handed.—*Reuter*.

WOMAN STABBED.

VISIT FROM ARMED ROBBERS.

Awakened from sleep yesterday morning to find a number of robbers in her hut, a woman living at Kowloon Tong called out for help, and was instantly stabbed, two flesh wounds being inflicted. Others of the gang also entered the cockpit and threatened a market gardener, until frightened off by the hubbub raised by the cries of the woman. They left without stealing anything. The woman was taken to hospital.

HARBOUR MYSTERY.

SUPPOSED CASE OF MURDER.

It is believed that the man whose dead body was recently picked up in Yaumatei Bay met his death in an attempt to rob a boat in the harbour. There was a bullet wound through the chest, which suggests that the attempt was unsuccessful and that he was shot by the people on the vessel and his dead body thrown overboard.

There are reasons to believe that another man concerned in the same affair was also wounded but succeeded in making his escape. The police are pursuing enquiries into the case with the view to disclosing the identity of the vessel in question.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S GAMES.

(By "QUIZ")

Saturday's matches resulted as follows—

SENIOR SHIELD FINAL.

Kowloon 0 Surrey's 0

LEAGUE DIV. II.

St. Joseph's 6 S. China "A" 0
Club de Rec. 2 Iriquoise 1
Tiania Res. 3 S. Heart 0
University 0 S. China "B" 0

KOWLOON V. SURREYS.

The final of the Challenge Shield was played on the H.K.F.C. ground and after extra time resulted in a goalless draw. A large crowd turned out to witness what was expected to be a fine game, but, from the football point of view, the game was disappointing. Combination was lacking and the game was a ding-dong struggle of the cup-tie order. Kowloon lost Muir early in the second half and were therefore greatly handicapped, especially in the extra twenty minutes played.

Nearly two hours' football was trying both to players and spectators, for during the whole time there were few shots that were scoring ones. Only when Eaton struck the crossbar with a fast shot from twenty yards' range early in the game did the spectators show much enthusiasm. Several good attempts individually were made to run through, but the middle line on both sides had the attack well in hand. The backs were not sound and their kicking was very wild, often turning the ball in the direction of their own goal. The attack did not play the usual forward game, as on several occasions they could have taken advantage of the backs' mistakes.

Towards the close of the game, Nash made a couple of good attempts to get through for Kowloon, but failed through hanging on to the ball too long.

The replay has been fixed for Saturday, 5th April.

PRESENTATION OF JUNIOR SHIELD.

After the senior game, the Junior Shield was presented to the Tiania Reserves and the "Wilton" cup to the Marazion. Mrs. Wilton, who made the presentation, received from Mr. Grindle, of the Reserves, a bouquet in silver holder. Mr. Wilton, in thanking those present on behalf of Mrs. Wilton, referred to scarcity of playing fields and hoped that further football grounds would be available on the Morrison Hill site.

Mr. Wilton is leaving for home on Saturday next.

TITANIA RESERVES V. SACRED HEART.

The Sacred Heart turned out a very weak team to oppose the Titania on the Navy "B" ground in the Junior League. Prior to this game the sailors were equal points with the Surrey's for division champions and required one point only to make their position secure. With such a weak opposition they won easily by five goals to nil and thus secure a double championship—Junior Shield and Junior League. Bravin scored three goals and Bunton two.

CLUB DE RECREIO V. IROQUOISE.

This match was played on St. Joseph's ground and by the Club de Recreio winning the position for runners-up in the League becomes more open. Should the Club take the remaining points, they will equal the Surrey's.

Gosano opened the score a few minutes after the kick-off, heading the ball into the net from a corner kick. After the change of ends, Fuertes put the Club further ahead and Bromfield scored for the sailors before the close, the Club winning by two goals to one.

ST. JOSEPH'S V. SOUTH CHINA "A."

On the South China ground, St. Joseph's beat South China "A" by six clear goals. Kent opened the score after ten minutes' play and before the interval Rahmin put on a second. After the change of ends, Mackenzie scored twice and Reed from a penalty. Rahmin scored the sixth goal.

UNIVERSITY V. SOUTH CHINA "B."

On the Club ground, these teams played a goalless draw. D. Laing missed from a penalty for the University.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

LEAGUE AND FRIENDLY MATCHES.

In the first division of the local cricket League the Chinese R.C. had to forfeit the points to the R.G.A. on Saturday owing to being unable to raise a team to meet the Gunners.

In the second division the H.K.C.C. juniors easily defeated the K.C.C. seconds on the H.K. ground. The Kowloon eleven compiled 63 (Mr. "Extras" being the highest contributor, with 17) and the home side replied with 243 for nine (L.D. McNeill 70). F.N. Young took 8 K.C.C. wickets for 12.

The Indian R.C. seconds and Civil Service seconds tried conclusions on the Indians' ground, the home eleven winning by 126 (H.D. Runjahn 49) to 91. The Chinese R.C. second team were badly beaten by the R.A.M.C. The C.R.C. scored only 33, Capt. Walker taking 5 for 15 and Sgt. Perry 5 for 14. (Sgt. Perry retired, 47.)

The University 2nd. had an easy victory over the Navy junior eleven, declaring at 152 for 4 (J.J. Youngs 52, not out) and the naval men replying with 80. C.W. Lam took 7 Navy wickets for 36.

FRIENDLY GAMES.

Kowloon C.C. were at home to the Navy, who declared after compiling 190 for 6, and then proceeded to get their hosts out for 113. Lt. Comdr. Jotham hit up 66 for the visitors.

The East Surreys did very well in their match with the H.K.C.C., but were not prepared for the good effort of their opponents. Declaring at 164 for 3, the soldiers had the chagrin of watching the Club knock up 173 for 4 in reply. The star batsmen were—Surreys, C.Q. M.S. Strip 53, Capt. Kent 45, not out; H.K.C.C. W.W. Mackenzie 35.

The Civil Service declared at 137 for 8 against the Indian R.C., and the visitors by staying out (110 for 9) made the match a draw. For the Indians, F. el Arculli took 4 for 24.

NAVAL DOCKYARD. SMOKER.

ENJOYABLE FAREWELL FUNCTION.

In the Naval Dockyard Recreation Club rooms on Saturday evening there was a happy gathering on the occasion of a farewell smoking concert given to members who are leaving for other stations. Mr. F.A. Brown presided. The programme was a long one, and was greatly appreciated, those contributing being Mr. A. Hake, and Mrs. Alderman (piano), Miss May Gaubert (vocal numbers), Messrs. Crocker, Bersey, Jefford, Brown, Heath, and Allan (songs), and Messrs. Wilson, Marshall and Evans (humorous songs and recitations). During an interval, Messrs. Crocker, Flegg, O'Sullivan, Cowen and Pile were presented with handsome souvenirs from members of the Naval Yard, in view of their forthcoming departure to other appointments. Mr. Mayer, on behalf of the Construction Department, in presenting Mr. E.T. Crocker with a dressing case and silk scarf, and Mr. S.M. Flegg with a set of blackwood tables, praised the way in which they had carried out their duties. Mr. C.L. Evans, on behalf of the Electrical Department, presented Mr. T.D. O'Sullivan with a massive silver helm clock, and spoke of his good qualities and wished him happiness and prosperity. In presenting Messrs. W. Cowen and A.C. Pile with gold watches, Mr. F.A. Brown expressed the feelings of friendship that had existed between them and the Club, and referred to Mr. Pile's all-round sportsmanship, and wished them both happiness and prosperity. The recipients, in turn, replied suitably and feelingly referred to their many pleasant associations with the dockyard.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

NO TEAM FOR SINGAPORE.

Hongkong finds itself unable to send an Interport cricket team to Singapore next month, as was provisionally arranged. The difficulty arises from the fact that nothing like a representative side can manage to get away from business.

It is, however, hoped that early next season a team may be sent down.

MYSTERY ISLANDS.

Stories of Diamonds and Dogs.

They lie south of the Cape of Good Hope. Washed by the foam of the Antarctic Sea, cold, bleak, and desolate, they are unknown except to a few hardy whaling men and seal hunters. It is when the stout little whalers come pitching over the heavy seas into Table Bay that one hears strange talk about the mystery islands of the south. With the fumes of strong African tobacco hazing an old timbered roof and the fiery Cape brandy being lavishly drunk, the men who weather these southern seas all the year round tell stories of islands that disappear and re-appear again, of men who were marooned on these lonely rocks and who spent months digging desperately for diamonds, of the dangers of seal-hunting and of fights with sea elephants.

We are likely before long to learn more of the islands, says William J. Mackin in the *Manchester Guardian* writing from Capetown. There lately reached Capetown sixteen men who are facing adventure with the calculated zeal of scientists. Their ship, a three-masted schooner, has been sent out under the direction of the Cleveland (U.S.A.) Museum of Natural History. The expedition which is to make Capetown its base, is to conduct a two-year cruise. Lonely Tristan da Cunha, with its brave missionary and his wife, is one of the islands to be visited. Kerguelen, where the sea elephants breed, Gough Island, with its myth of diamonds, and many others, probably fifty in all. Among these islands the explorers hope to gather interesting natural history specimens, to see strange animals and places, and perhaps to chance on a few things that are quite exceptional. The American explorers seem particularly interested in Bouvet Island, said to be the most mysterious of the group. Certainly it would be difficult to discover much about Bouvet Island in the encyclopaedia, or even the "Oceanic Pilot." The average gazetteer merely states that it is 1,500 miles southwest of the Cape of Good Hope, while the atlases vary in showing it in longitude 4 east and longitude 3 west.

DESERTED SPOT.

Of the French sailors who first found it, it is not known for certain whether they were able to land, for no record of what they found ever came back to the world. There is the record of a German expedition which managed to reach the island on November 23, 1898. They found it surrounded by huge glaciers. Its mountain-tops were enveloped in clouds, which may account for the fact that previous expeditions searched for it in vain. The expedition managed to land. They found that there was no running water, no vegetation, and that animal life was practically non-existent. In the centre of the island was a big crater of volcanic origin. Altogether it was a wild deserted spot that no one would particularly care to visit again. They managed to take some photographs and map out the island and the group that it belongs to. Since then no real scientific expedition has been near the island, so the Americans may yet find something which will startle the scientific world.

The American expedition is not the only one that is visiting Kerguelen. Recently a French expedition sailed from Capetown for this island, being ordered by the French Government to explore Kerguelen and report as to the adaptability of the island for sheep and pig rearing. It will also prospect for coal and other

minerals. Kerguelen is claimed as a French possession, having been first discovered by a French expedition (which sailed south during the latter part of the eighteenth century in search of what the navigators and scientists of the times thought to exist—a great southern continent. Some years ago sheep were landed at Kerguelen, but did not thrive owing to attacks from the wild dogs that infest the place. The dogs, when hungry, killed the sheep and ate them. Sailors who have been to Kerguelen tell of packs of dogs descending from the peaks and attacking sea elephants, seals, and other sea beasts. The island, which is 90 miles long, lies right in the track of some sailing vessels on the voyage to Australia. Many a fine ship has come to grief on its rocky coast. Perhaps the present dogs which roam the island are the descendants of the pet or mascot dogs of wrecked ships. Last year two French scientists were landed on the island, and have remained there to take observations. These two will be picked up by the present French expedition.

UNSUCCESSFUL EXPEDITION.

Another of these mystery islands that the American expedition hope to visit is Gough Island. Commander Wild, in his book "Shackleton's Last Voyage," describes how the Quest expedition landed on Gough Island and found, to their astonishment, two huts in excellent condition, while all around lay instruments for mineralogical examination, picks, shovels, hose, hand pump, washing-pun, ropes, axes, and so on. On a stove near by was cut by someone who knew his job the following inscription: "F. X. Zigler, R. J. Garden, J. Hagan, W. Swaine, J. C. Fenton, Capetown, 16-19." No explanation was forthcoming of this mysterious expedition. The story is known only to a few in Capetown and has never been published. It is, however, worth the telling as it reveals the romantic rumours that come from these islands of the southern sea. About five years ago a man walked into the offices of a Capetown shipping firm with a small bag of gravel and a dozen small diamonds. He explained to the manager of the firm that he had discovered these diamonds on Gough Island, and that there were more to be found there. His story was plausible enough, and the result was that a schooner was equipped by the firm and set sail for Gough Island, carrying the white men mentioned above and about twelve Kaffirs from Kimberley. The ship reached Gough Island, the white men and Kaffirs and a quantity of tools were landed, and after a promise to call again, for them in three months' time the skipper of the schooner set sail for South Georgia. But he did not reckon with the weather of the southern seas. Six months passed before he managed to reach Gough Island again. The white men were still there, but had lived through many great hardships. They had gone at the wrong time of the year, when the worst weather was to be experienced. Nevertheless, they struggled on with the work they had set out to do. Not a single diamond was ever found. The whole story of diamonds on Gough Island was a myth. One Kaffir in the expedition died, and the survivors were eventually brought to Capetown. Yet the myth still persists, and there are many in Capetown who shake their heads mysteriously when Gough Island is mentioned.

The cruise is expected to take two years, and in all probability 30,000 miles will be travelled. The enterprise of this American museum is likely to produce excellent, if not startling, scientific results.

BON VOYAGE.

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I hope you have a pleasant trip.
And don't get sea-sick on the ship
No matter how she yaws and veers;
I hope you'll write, but hear my plea:
No matter what you do or see,
DON'T send me any souvenirs.

I'll promise that I will peruse
Your album full of kodak views
And praise whatever there appears;
I'll listen to the tales you tell,
But heed this solemn warning well:
DON'T bring me any souvenirs.

Of every sort of useless stuff
Already I have quite enough,
I've caroled them about for years;
So travel anywhere you will,
But if you'd keep my friendship still,
DON'T bring me any souvenirs.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

Lecture by Professor.

Sir Sydney (now Lord) Olivier presided at a lecture at the India Office in February in which Professor Bose gave an absorbing account of the latest developments at the Calcutta Research Institute.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. Bernard Shaw eulogising Professor Bose's efforts declared if anybody had an idea that Indians were an inferior race intellectually they only had to read Professor Bose's descriptions of extraordinary investigations. He was of opinion that Sir Sydney Olivier had a most difficult task before him and if he was going to solve an exceedingly complicated problem in India, he must be most careful about assimilation as advocated by Professor Bose. He commended the example of Professor Bose's endowment to millionaires in Britain adding Britain, could do with a great deal of similar manifestation of genuine patriotism.

Mr. Bernard Shaw pointed to Professor Bose's extraordinary experience in having a Prime Minister present at the lecture, also the more staggering fact that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Sir Sydney Olivier appeared to take an interest in science which was unprecedented. After hearing the lecture, Mr. Shaw suggested Professor Bose should construct a machine of sufficient delicacy to exhibit the processes of the mind of a Premier or Cabinet Minister. A panel could then be constructed of persons capable of administering those functions. Professor Bose, concluding his lecture foresaw an enhancement of skill of Indian workers leading to the greatly increased prosperity of the country. The unrest in India was primarily due to economic distress which should not be allowed to drift. India had inexhaustible resources in her soil and her minerals. She could be one of the richest countries in the world if she knew how to utilise the gifts. Her hope lay in the encouragement of originality and the inventive capacity of Indians for the benefit of their own people and their own country.

THE DOUKHOBORS.

Reported Return To Russia.

Three thousand independent Doukhobor farmers of Kamsack, Saskatchewan district, are disposing of their farms to an American syndicate and preparing to depart for Soviet Russia. They expect to leave Montreal in about three weeks and sail direct to Odessa. They intend to continue wheat growing and modern farming under Canadian methods.

It is estimated that they will take back \$7,000,000 (about £1,400,000), which they have accumulated during their residence in Canada. The Doukhobor settlement in Western Canada began in 1898 with the flight of the sect from Russia owing to their religious objection to compulsory military service. Some time before, a strong appeal to public feeling in England was sent to *The Times* by Tolstoy. About 4,000 of them arrived at Quebec in January, 1899, and smaller parties gradually brought the total up to about 7,500. They are capable and industrious settlers, and in 1907 they established a large brickmaking plant at Yorktown. A feature of their life is their practice of setting out on periodical treks at certain intervals of the year, and occasionally their superstitious and eccentric customs have brought them in conflict with the Canadian police. On the whole, however, they are held in high esteem by settlers of other nationalities on the Western prairies.

BOY'S SUICIDE IN CANADA.

Mr. J. Benson Cox, the employer of Charles Bulpitt, a 16-year-old English boy who hanged himself on a farm in Huron County, has been charged with assault and with beating the boy and has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment in Goderich gaol. The defence admitted frequent whippings, but claimed the right of punishment on the ground that the boy was an apprentice. The magistrate ruled that the boy was not an apprentice but was hired at \$75 a year, and that Cox had no right to lay hands on him.

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Sale of Calvert Collection.

An interesting collection of books relating to Australia and New Zealand, with some also relating to Polynesia, is to be sold by Messrs. Hodgson, of 115, Chancery-lane, on May 2, and the catalogue has already been issued. This library, which is divided into about 300 lots, was originally formed by the late John Calvert, but has been greatly added to by the present owner, Mr. George Calvert. Since collections of this kind are generally of greater importance as wholes than for their individual items, the Calvert library is to be offered, first of all, in one lot. If, however, the reserve is not reached, the books will be sold piecemeal.

The most remarkable item in the sale is a number—about 270—of original and unpublished pen-and-ink and water-colour drawings by one P. H. F. Phelps. Phelps appears to have been a settler at or near Sydney, in about the year 1840, who afterwards (in 1844 or later) acquired an estate on the Moruya River, about 150 miles south of Sydney. As an artist he was only an amateur, but his drawings have considerable topographical, ethnological and scientific importance. They include many landscapes of the country as it then was, sketches of birds and snakes, and eleven carefully executed drawings of various scenes in Australian aboriginal life (such as the Kangaroo dance) and of individual members of the Cabramatta tribe, with their names attached. There are in this library fine sets of the published voyages of

Safety in the Glass Jar.

The Society of Glass Technology, which has the habit of visiting a fresh town or city for each of its monthly meetings, met recently at the Manchester College of Technology. The chairman was Professor W.E.S. Turner, of the Department of Glass Technology of the University of Sheffield. Among the several scientific papers which were read or discussed was one by the chairman, in which he urged the desirability of glass manufacturers working to some sort of specification so that the customer and user could have some assurance that the articles supplied would fulfil the conditions for which they were intended.

In the course of the paper Professor Turner said he was quite convinced that given a glass container of satisfactory general durability, no foodstuff, whether packed moist or in syrup, or again in vinegar or fruit juices, was capable of extracting from glass any arsenic capable of detection by most refined measurement, even supposing it to be present in the very small amounts used in making some glasses.

various early explorers, including Captain Cook, who is also represented by an autograph letter written on the Endeavour in 1768. Another feature of the catalogue is that it contains many early examples of books printed in Australia, the earliest being an Almanack issued by G. Howe, Government printer at Sydney, in 1814.

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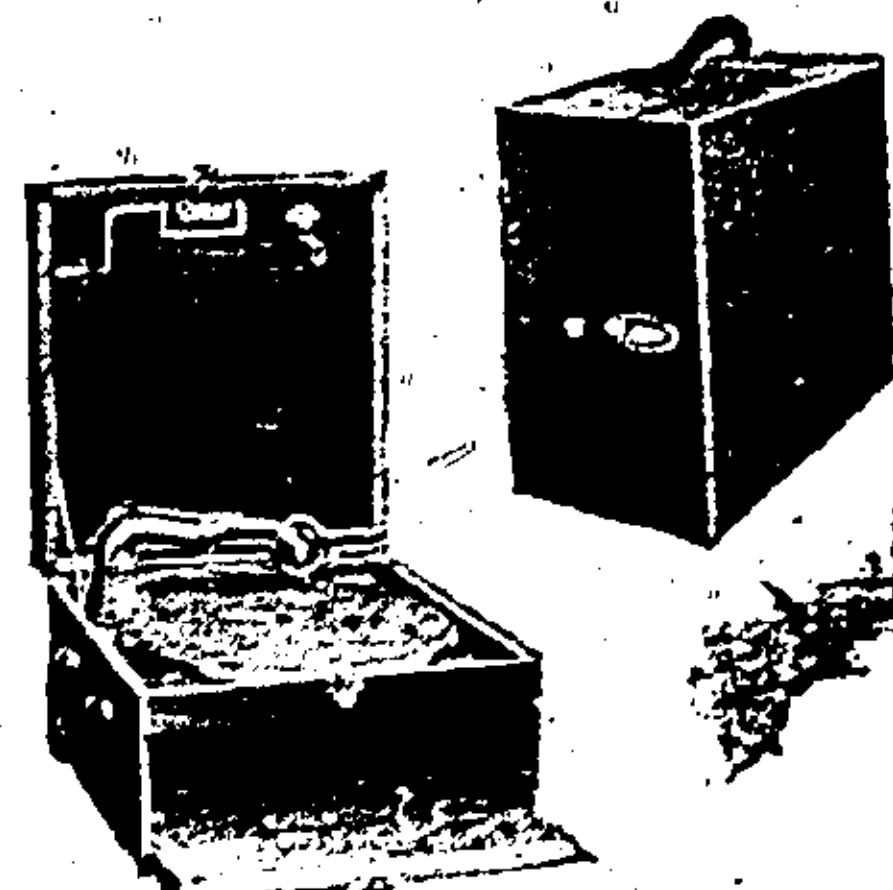
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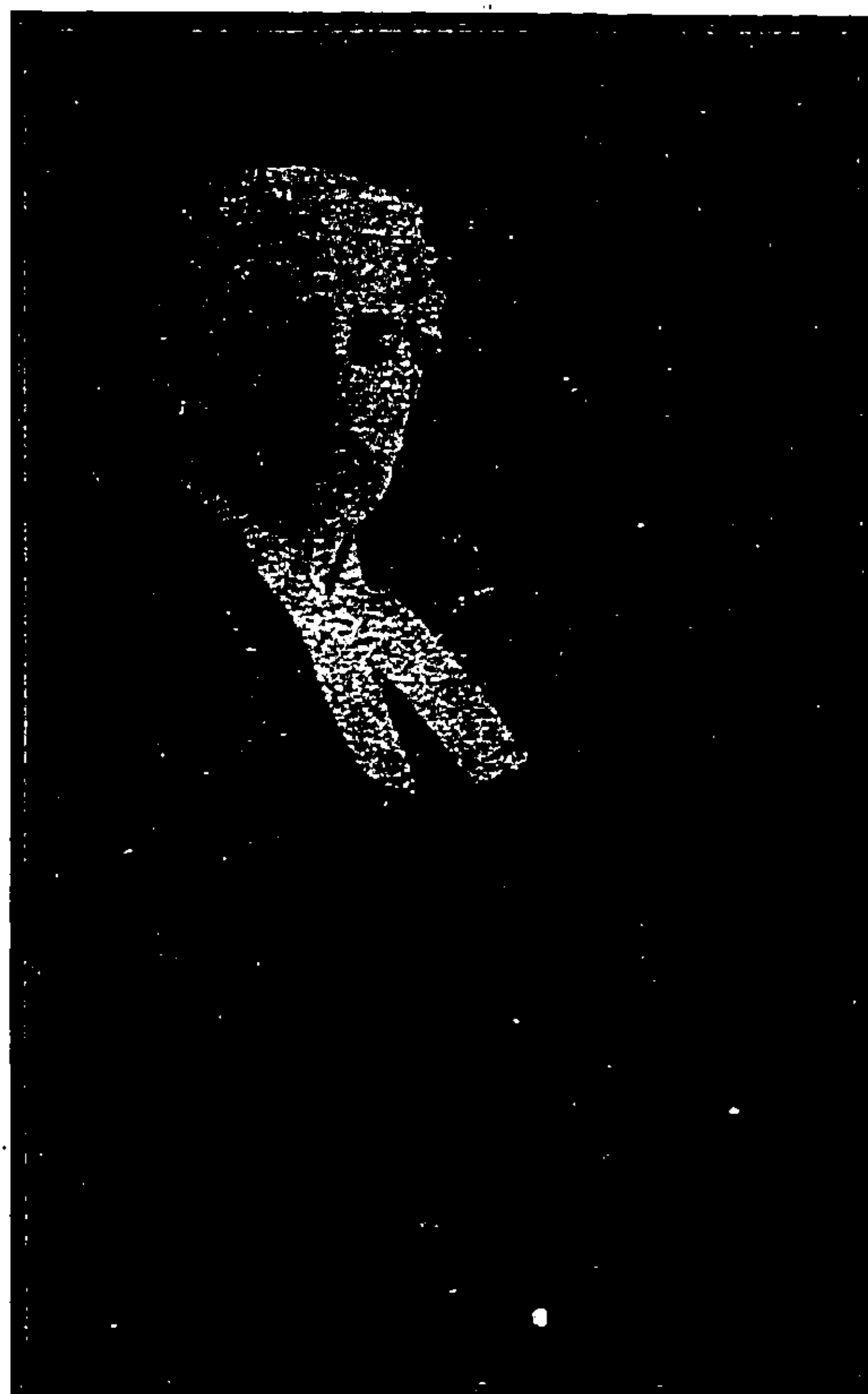
CAMERA NEWS.



Brigadier-General Pereira and Dr. H. Gordon Thompson in their last trip opened
up to white man's knowledge vast tracks of country never visited formerly by white
men. For a larger part of the journey they employed several Tibetan muleteers, not one
of whom would carry the camp bed of the General when he fell ill with the malady from
which he died. Our picture shows a group of Tibetan muleteers.



Vincent Richards, tennis star, was married recently
at Greenwich. He's shown here with the happy young
woman, formerly Claremont Gushee.



The death of Mr. N. H. Langley-Smith, barrister-at
law (Gray's Inn) of Messrs. Hansons, on February 19,
following an operation, was a great blow to the British
community in Shanghai.



The spirit of the old south
hovered over the capitol in
Washington when a statue
of General Robert E. Lee
was unveiled in the rotunda.
Eleanor Hulburd, dressed in
the height of fashion—for
1861, that is—was one of the
Washington girls participat-
ing in the ceremonies.



The American while-you-wait methods are nothing re-
markable compared with the Chinese way. Here we see an
open air establishment in Shanghai devoted exclusively to
repairing tears while you wait. The customer seems
satisfied.



This new 4000-pound aerial bomb contains about 2000 pounds of T. N. T. and will
be part of the regular equipment of army Baring Bombers. It is on exhibition at Hotel
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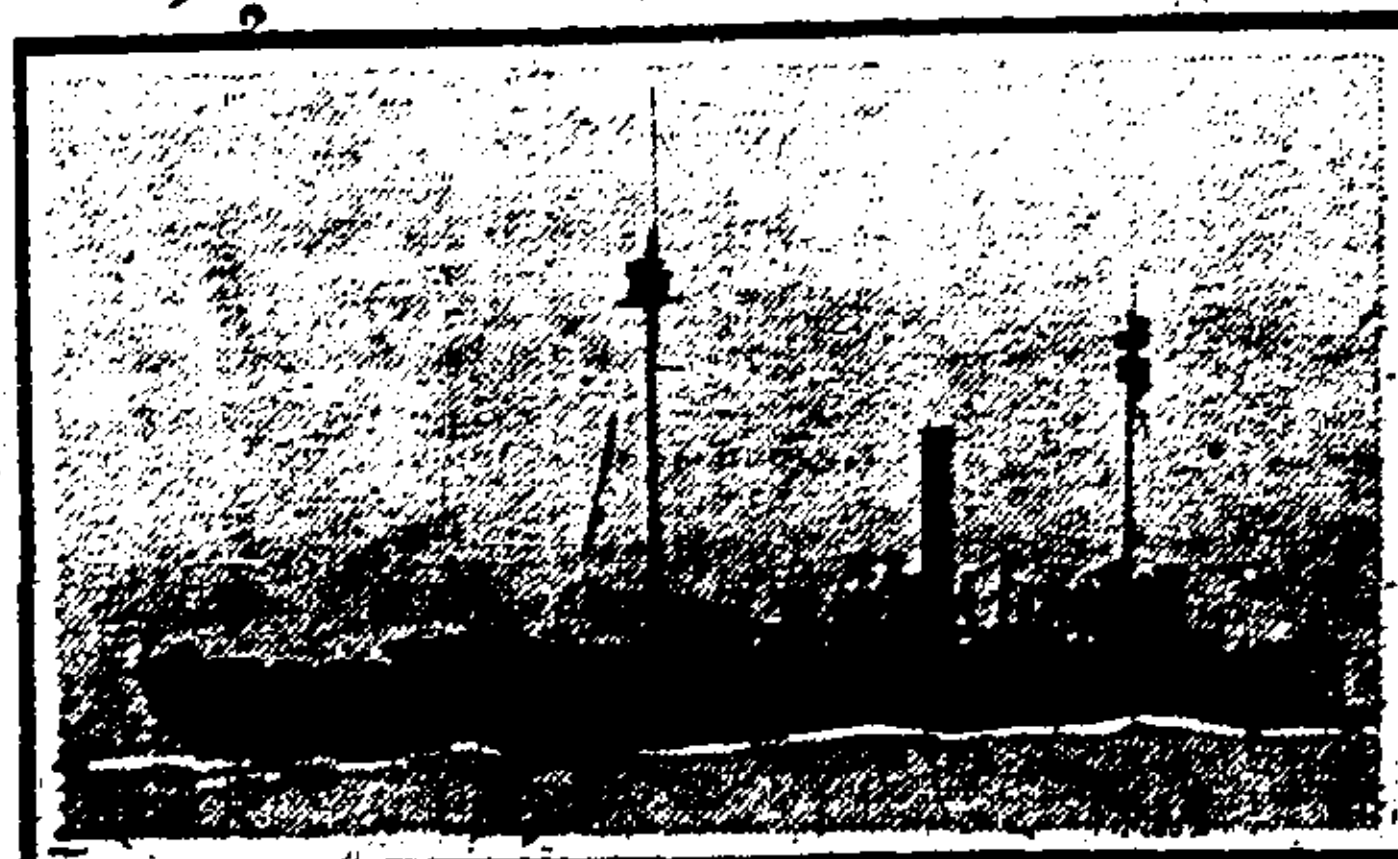


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PERIM	7,618	20th Mar.	S'pore, Penang & Bombay
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SICILIA	6,813	28th Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
JEYPORE	5,318	3rd Apr.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KHYBER	9,014	5th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
LADORE	3,252	11th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Bombay
PADUA	3,907	12th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
CHINA	7,952	19th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NELORE	6,853	21st Apr.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
SOUHAN	6,696	26th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,118	3rd May	M'les, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
TAKADA	6,949	18 Mar. 1.30 p.m.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TORILLA	5,205	5th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TALWA	10,000	14th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
ARAFURA	6,000	2nd Apr.	Manila, S'kan, Thursday Is.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Apr.	Townsville, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.
EASTERN	4,000	31st May	

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KALYAN	9,118	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TALWA	10,000	23rd Mar.	Moji & Kobe
JAPAN	6,032	29th Mar.	Moji & Kobe
KASHMIR	8,953	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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GLENHARRY	17th Apr.	Glen, Rotterdam & H'burg	
GLENADY	4th May	GLENOGLE	22nd Apr.
GLENAPP	15th May	Genoa, L'don, R'dam & H'burg	

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Mail Steamers	Next Sailings from Marseilles	Pro. arr. at Hongkong	Pro. Sailing from Hongkong
CHILI	—	16th Mar.	16th Mar.
POROS	—	20th Mar.	20th Mar.
AMAZONE	—	12th April	12th April
ANGKOR	21st Feb.	24th Mar.	27th April
CHAMORD	6th Mar.	7th Apr.	11th May
PAUL LECAT	20th Mar.	21st Apr.	18th May

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY TO MARSEILLES.

Class	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
A Class	£95.0.0	£68.0.0	£48.0.0
B Class	£85.0.0	£60.0.0	£40.0.0

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